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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.48(d)

The undersigned attorney hereby requests that the above identified patent application be amended to delete Thomas N. Giaccherini as an inventor.

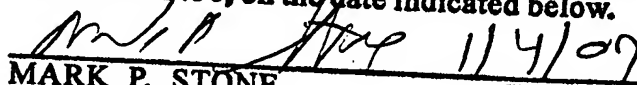
Although Mr. Giaccherini was correctly identified as a joint inventor in the original patent application as filed, the application was subsequently amended, including the deletion of original claims.

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As a result of the deletion of original claims during the prosecution of this patent application, Mr. Giaccherini is no longer an inventor of the invention defined by claims allowed in the Notice of Allowance dated October 6, 2006 for the present patent application.

In view of the above, the undersigned Attorney requests that Thomas N. Giaccherini be deleted as a named inventor in the above identified patent application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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